Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—Does it not show the inability to pay on the part of the ryots?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon.—It may be inability to pay or it may be disinclination to pay.

Revenue from Chennamangalam for the last five years.

293. Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—Will the Government be pleased to state the average income per year for the last five years from Chennamangalam under Land Revenue and Excise?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon.—Land Revenue Rs. 7,914—8—5
Excise ,, 22,340—0—0

Verification of exchange rates charged on Governments.

294. Mr. P. C. Varkey.—Will the Government be pleased to state whether they have at any time verified the rates of exchange charged with the rates prevailing; and if so, with whom?

Mr. P. V. Subramania Ayyar.—The rates are checked now and then with the rates quoted in the newspapers.

Panchayat Election.

295. Mr. P. Krishna Menon.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) was not 23rd Makaram 1109 the date for nomination for the election of Panchayatdars in the said Panchayat (Aloor);

(b) if so, how many seats were contested and how many not contested;

(c) have the contested elections been held subsequently; if so, when;

(d) how many times were the contested elections adjourned; if adjourned, what were the reasons for the adjournment;

(e) has the Panchayat been holding any meetings after Kanni 1109;

(f) what were the dates for nomination for the election of Panchayatdars in the Pazhayannur, Eyyal, Chiranellur, Vallattanjur, Chowwannur and Aloor Panchayats;

(g) in how many of these were elections contested;

(h) how many adjournments of elections were made in each of the above Panchayats before the actual election was held, if held at all;

(i) are the Government aware that these contested elections involve a good lot of waste of time and energy of the persons concerned?

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